

NAT. PHILLIPS

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Opens with all Chorus on Mayor seated at Table C.Vicar on right
of Mayor.Small Part People dressed as different charactors

When lights up all singing Chorus of Popular Song.

Mayor. Friends, brother comrades and their Wives.

All. Here, Here.

Mayor. We are all assembled here tonight, at a meeting of old Comrades, and it pleases me more than I can say to see you all here and looking so happy, after Ten years of horrible Peace.

All. What?

Mayor . I mean glorious Peace, and to introduce a Couple of new comrades. (Mentions Comics names)

All Speech! Speech!

Comic. Friends Romans Countrymen, On behalf of myself and the feathered world.

All. The Feathered World!

Comic. Yes "The feathered World" The Ladies, The Birds. I am really too full for words.

All. Here, here.

Comic. And all I can say is lets have another round of the "Gippo" (Points to Glass) That's mine the Big one. and carry on with the good work.

Vicar. After these few words from our friend. I wish to announce the Concert.

(All Applaud)

Vicar. We have a goodly selection of Artistes, also the Operetic society, will entertain us with their famous Criterio.

(All Applaud)

I must ask you to give your kindest attention, and Mr Allfingers, will officiate at the Piano.

(Bus leading Comic Pianist to Piano. He is slightly drunk, and falls off Stool, Bus with Stool, which Pianist winds up and down. Eventually they tie him in a chair)

Vicar. The first item will be a Selection.

Comic. That's me. (Walks round with his hat)

Harry. No, No, A Selection fathead.

Comic. I thought he said Collection. (To Pianist) Come on Charlie give us a Ding Dong.

(Pianist Plays God Save the King.)

All. No, No.

Comic. He's finished before he started. (To Pianist) Play the Alpha, not the Omega. (To Harry) That was good was'nt it?

Pianist. Right ho.

Vicar. The First item on the Programme will be Mr Tacit who will give an Obligato in "A" Miner.

Comic. 'Core 'Core!

(Enter Tacit, in eccentric Make up. Bows. All applaud. Tunes up Violin. All Applaud. Bows again. Fixes Handkerchief in collar and places violin under chin.)

Harry. Now we're off.

Tacit. (To Pianist) Give me "A" please.

Pianist. A what?

Tacit. "A" "A" give me "A"

Pianist. Oh!

Tacit. No not "O" "A" (Touches note on Piano.. Tunes up again. Comic blows his nose very Loudly. Tacit looks round, and tries his Violin. Comic blows his nose louder. Tacit looks at Pianist. Pianist gets up and looks at seat of chair.. Tacit tunes up again.)

Comic. (To Harry) He's very good is'nt he?

Tacit. I will now play the obligato in "A" Sharp.

Comic. Well "B" sharp about it. (To Harry) Hahaha! that was good, was'nt it Be sharp about "A" sharp. (Turns and sees Tacit looking at him) (To Tacit) carry on Cock.

(Tacit Draws Bow across Violin. All Jump. Draws it across again. All Jump again. Tacit Bows.)

Comic. Harry, Chuck him out.

(Harry Throws Tacit out.) (All Applaud)

Vicar. Order! Order!

Comic. Mines a Pint. (Hands Mayor Glass)

Vicar. The next item, will be miss Flossie glood, Vocalist.

(Enter Flossie, Very Stout woman, with large piece of Music.)

(Flossie. sings "Il Batio". Whilst she is singing. Comic sets Fire to Music she is hold ing . Flossie does not notice it but continues singing, with very high trills, until Flame Burns her Fingers. Screams and rushes off)

Vicar. The next, will be Mr Ramper, the celebrated Actor in selections from his repertoire .

(Chord, Enter Ramper. Comic Throws Bannana. Hits Ramper. He Falls.) All Applaud)

Ramper. Ladies and Gentlemen.

Harry. Here, here.
(Ramper turns and gives him a stony Stare.)

Ramper. Ladies and gentlemen, I shall have much pleasure
(Comic blows squeaker)

Ramper. (To Comic) Will you kindly keep quiet, please

Comic. Was'nt me, it was him. (Points to Harry)

Ramper. A few impersonations of Celebrated Actors. My First Mr Bernard Shaw in "Pygmalion" (Puts on Beard and Coat)

Comic. Beaver! Beaver!

Ramper. (looking at Comic) Ha! ha! at last we meet.

Comic. How do.

Pamper. Unhand me! unhand me villian i say!

Comic. Who's hold ing you?

Ramper. I know all, 'Twas you! 'Twas you!

Comic. You're a liar, it was Him. (Points to Harry)

Pamper. (Slowly and Dramatically) Where is the Body?

Comic. (Imitating him) The Body is upstairs.

Ramper. Tis False! Tis false!

Comic. (Pulling off his Beard) I know it is.

Ramper. I can see by your Bloody hands.

(All Scream)

Comic. Hi! Chuck him Out.

(Two men throw Ramper out. Chord off Ramper returns and Takes Call: All throw Things at Him)

Vicar. The Next will be.

Comic. What is there any more?

Vicar. Miss Tillie Twinklëtoes, from the Corps de Ballet

(Enter Tillie Saucy Serio.)

(Does "Naughty Boys" Number. Finishing with Acrobatic Dance Lifting Skirts very High. Bus Comic and Harry. After Dance Kisses Hands and Exits. Comic and Harry rush to door after her, Door slammed in their Faces.)

Vicar. The next will be the Choir in their Celebrated Oritorio. Which owing to the absence of Mr Beater. will be conducted by our Friend (Mentions Comics Name.)

(All applaud.)

(Enter Choir All with eccentric Make ups and ill fitting evening dress. Comittee Gag here. Leaving Comic. Bus Finali.)